

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE,
ARKANSAS HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF CITY HALL ON NOVEMBER 13, 2017 AT
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT AND PRESIDING: Mayor Mark Simpson, City Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Blackard and City Attorney Bruce Wilson.

ALDERMEN PRESENT: Eddie Bradley, Heather Johnston, Eddie King, Danna Schneider, Judy Weaver and Freeman Wish.

Alderman Schneider made a motion to approve the Agenda which Alderman Weaver seconded.
Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Alderman Schneider made a motion to approve the Minutes which Alderman Wish seconded.
Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Mayor Mark Simpson made a presentation to Patrolman Kenneth Kennedy for receiving Johnson County Law Enforcement Office of the year.

NEW BUSINESS

2016 Audit Report

City Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Blackard presented the 2016 Audit and made sure each Council member had received a copy in the mail from Legislative Audit. Alderman Weaver made a motion to accept the Audit which Alderman Bradley seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Ordinance amending Zoning Code

Mayor Simpson introduced an Ordinance to be entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, ARKANSAS. The clerk read the Ordinance. Mayor Simpson declared the Ordinance open for discussion. Concerns were voiced about the Board of Adjustments. Alderman Wish made a motion to approve the Ordinance amending the Zoning Code with the recommendation that the Board of Adjustments be reviewed. Alderman Schneider seconded the motion.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Alderman Schneider moved to approve the emergency clause which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Ordinance No. 17-793 passed 6-0.

Ordinance amending Ordinance 17-792

Mayor Simpson introduced an Ordinance to be entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 17-792; SETTING THE BID LIMITS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ITEMS BY THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. The clerk read the Ordinance. Mayor Simpson declared the Ordinance open for discussion. Alderman Weaver made a motion to approve the Ordinance which Alderman Schneider seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Ordinance No. 17-794 passed 6-0.

Resolution concerning proposed Hog Farm

Mayor Simpson introduced a Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, ARKANSAS TO OPPOSE A PROPOSED HOG FARM TO BE LOCATED IN THE HARTMAN BOTTOMS, AND OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO. Alderman Schneider made a motion to approve the Resolution which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Resolution No. 17-1062 passed 6-0.

Change Order #2 – Clark Road

Morgan Barret reviewed Change Order No. 2 on Clark Road. Stating that the contractor had to move to another job due to the delay in acquisition of the last parcel. Alderman Bradley made a motion to approve Change Order #2 on Clark Road which Alderman Schneider seconded.

Vote aye: Alderman Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider and Weaver.
Alderman Wish abstained.

Animal Control Bid

Mayor Simpson presented the Bid for Animal Control Services for 2018 and stated the Bid had not changed. Alderman King asked if the Animal Control Officer was certified. Mr. Jeffries from the Humane Society stated that officers were sent for certification after six months of employment. Alderman King made a motion to approve the Bid for Services which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Personnel Committee recommendations

Chief Kevin Weathers stated he had meet with the Personnel Committee and requested the position of Assistant Chief be changed to a working position of Captain. He stated there was no need to change the Part-time police to Auxiliary after speaking with Don Zimmerman and requested the Part-time officer remain the same. Alderman Bradley made a motion to replace the Assistant Police Chief position with a working Captains Position which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

2018 Budget

The 2018 Budgets were disbursed for review no action was taken.

Adjust Budget for New Shop Buildings - \$100,000.00

Mayor Simpson stated that additional monies were needed to begin the building process for the New Facilities and requested \$100,000.00 be budgeted for this purpose. Alderman Weaver made a motion to approve \$100,000.00 to be budgeted for the New Facilities which Alderman Wish seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Solar Plant #2, Business Park Property

Clarksville Light & Water General Manager John Lester stated that the current developer Scenic Hill Solar (SHS) of Solar Plant #1 had been able to secure additional tax credits called "New Market Tax Credits" (NMTC). The NMTC issuer has offered to extend the tax benefit beyond the 5 MW plant under construction and would do additional NMTC's on a second plant of up to 2 MW if an expansion or second location was possible. Clarksville Light & Water Commission has already conditionally approved the terms of the second project, and CLW has approached CREDO to determine their openness to using a portion of the Industrial Park. The 30 acres in the south eastern portion of the Industrial Park is the most undesirable property and would be used for the solar panels. Alderman Bradley made a motion to approve a Quit Claim Deed for the 30 acres conditional upon all the requirements being met which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Adjust Aquatic Center Budget for new server

Tom Cogan requested \$28,000.00 from the Aquatic Maintenance fund for the purchase of a new server and software for the Aquatic Center. Alderman Wish made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$28,000.00 and adjust the Aquatic Maintenance Budget which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Reports

Advertising & Promotion

Judy Weaver reported the A & P Commission had funded two events the Spadra Trail Brochure in the amount of \$6,075.00 and a request from Darrell Plank for \$7,500.00 for the National Boat races to be held on Lake Ludwig.

Airport

No report submitted.

Economic Development

Kellie Danielson submitted the monthly report (copy attached).

Fire

Fire Chief Clark Gray submitted the monthly report (copy attached) and stated the ISO rate has gone from a 4 to a 3Y effective February 1, 2018.

Light & Water

Light & Water monthly report was submitted (copy attached).

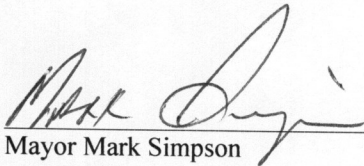
Police

Police Chief Kevin Weathers submitted the monthly report (copy attached).

Treasurer

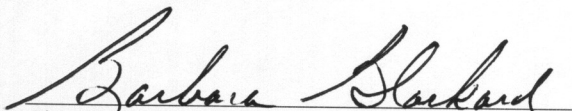
Treasurer's Report, Budget Comparison and Disbursements were submitted along with the financials.

After motion being made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.



Mayor Mark Simpson

ATTEST:



City Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Blackard